

loo *THE CASTAWAYS OF THE
FLAG*

" Mummy was anxious, darling! She called you, and you didn't answer, and then—you were playing on the sand, weren't you ? "

" Yes," said Bob ; " with the boat that Block made for me. But I wanted him to make a little white sail for it, so that it could sail. There are holes full of water in the sand where I can put it. Auntie Dolly promised to make me a sail."

" Yes, Bob dear; you shall have it to-day," Dolly promised.

" Two sails," the -child answered; " two sails like the boat that brought us here."

" Of course," Jenny answered. " Auntie Dolly will make you a lovely sail, and I will make you one, too*"

" Thank you, thank you, Jenny," Bob answered/
clapping his hands., " But where is our big boat ?

I can't see it anywhere ! "

" It has gone away—fishing," Jenny answered.

" It will come back soon, rath lots of beautiful fish ! Besides, you have got your own; the one that good John Block made for you."

" Yes; but I am going to tell him to make me another, one in which I can sail—with papa and mama, and auntie Dolly and Jenny, and every-body!"

Poor little fellow! He voiced so
exactly what
was wanted—the replacement of the
boat—and
how. wag that to be done ?